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For : IMAGE RECORDING APPARATUS AND TRANSMISSION METHOD
USING THE SAME

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the claims, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please enter the following claims for consideration by the Examiner:

--- 20. An image recording apparatus comprising:

a panel section which has at least an inputting key operable to input a numerical value corresponding to one of a number of sheets to be copied and a destination telephone number;

a plurality of execution sections, each execution section being adapted to execute an operation corresponding to a mode selected as a current mode;

a start key which is configured to transmit an instruction to an execution section;

a determination section which is configured to determine whether or not the current mode is an execution mode based on a numerical value input by said inputting key; and